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PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2881

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:	Attorney Docket No.: NOG-0018
Masaru FURUTA	Examiner: Z. R. Hashmi
Application No.: 10/699,821	Art Unit: 2881
Filed: November 4, 2005	Confirmation No.: 4453
For: LASER DESORPTION IONIZATION MASS SPECTROMETRIC METHOD AND SAMPLE PLATE USED IN SUCH A METHOD	

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the final Office Action dated June 24, 2005, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-14 are pending in the application. By this Response, no claims are amended.

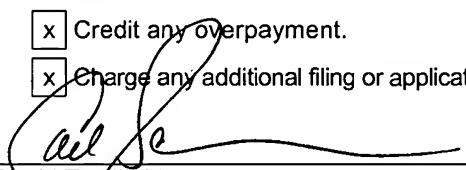
II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER				Docket No. NOG-0018	
Application No. 10/699,821-Conf. #4453		Filing Date November 4, 2003		Examiner Z. R. Hashmi	
				Art Unit 2881	
Applicant(s): Masaru Furuta					
Invention: LASER DESORPTION IONIZATION MASS SPECTROMETRIC METHOD AND SAMPLE PLATE USED IN SUCH A METHOD					
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
Total Claims	14	- 20 =		x	
Independent Claims	2	- 3 =		x	
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					
Other fee (please specify):					
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large Entity <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for this amendment.					
<input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
<input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.					
<input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. <u>18-0013</u> as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Credit any overpayment.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.					
 David T. Mikaido Attorney Reg. No.: 22,663				Dated: <u>August 11, 2005</u>	
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